

THE WAYFAIRER



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A NEW MEMBER AND GUEST SPRING A LOT OF SURPRISES AS THEY GO HOME TRIUMPHANT - WITH MOST OF THE PRIZES!

Our first ever gathering at Clandon Regis GC on the occasion of our AGM Day did not get off to the best of starts. The weather was overcast with heavy mist and drizzle as numerous Wayfairers, coming from many diverse directions, approached our venue. The early morning traffic was extremely heavy with this resulting in several members being unavoidably late for the start of the meeting.

Things quickly improved however. There was a very warm welcome in the Clubhouse and all twelve items on the Agenda were swiftly dispatched in less than 50 minutes. This enabled the golf to commence punctually, and as play began the sun appeared. The players experienced a most glorious Autumn Day on a beautiful Parkland Course. Drinks on the warm patio outside the Clubhouse were the order of the day after play.

As a result of the AGM the field included 4 new Wayfairers, giving a playing total of 36 including two guests. With everyone leaving the AGM simultaneously, the late starters had the Annual Team Putting Competition to occupy them, while those out early tried their hands at this after the 18 holes.

With Autumn turning to Winter the Course, although in excellent condition, was playing rather long and this was reflected in the scoring, with the average for the day being 24.5pts. This result was well exceeded however by new member Tony Roche, who behaved in a way that no inexperienced novice should, by coming in with 33pts to win The Autumn Cup and Wayfairers Trophy. (Oh how he will be cut! Ed.) Also on 33pts, but 2nd on count back was guest Colin Scott, with his handicap already severely diminished after an earlier successful outing with us.

Not content with this Tony also won the 19 + Longest Drive and was in the winning group of the Team Event. Colin won Nearest the Pin, and was in the Team that was 2nd in both the Putting Competition and the Team Event. How greedy can you get!

Congratulations go to John Bateson our Society Champion of the Year and to Jan Henshaw our Top Lady.

Following an excellent meal, this being AGM Day, the Prize giving seemed to go on forever, but eventually a most enjoyable and successful day came to an end.

And finally a word about the Course. This seemed to receive an extremely favourable response from our members. One couple considered it to be "The best Course the Wayfairers have ever played", and three others commented "An ideal Course for the Wayfairers". Hopefully we shall return.

Annual Awards 2008

Presented on AGM Day

Society Champion John Bateson

Picture opposite

Top Lady Jan Henshaw

but not realised on the day



TONY ROCHE
Winner of the
Wayfairers Trophy
and
Ron Harris Autumn
Cup



CLANDON REGIS RESULTS

Winner of the Ron Harris Autumn Cup and Wayfairers Trophy - TONY ROCHE 33pts

2nd Place - COLIN SCOTT (c/b) 33pts 3rd Place - ROGER SANDS 31pts 4th Place - DEREK REEVES 30pts

Team Prize 1st TONY ROCHE - PETER STOREY - BOB HISTED & DAMON PRITCHARD

2nd COLIN SCOTT - MALCOLM GOMAN & DEREK REEVES

Team Putting 1st - JAN HENSHAW - SUE McDONNELL - MIKE WILSON & JOHN McDONNELL

2nd - COLIN SCOTT - MALCOLM GOMAN & DEREK REEVES

Nearest the Pin - COLIN SCOTT Open Longest Drive - BILL ESLOR 19 and Over LD - TONY ROCHE

Birdie Cap - JOHN McDONNELL (2nd Birdie of 2008!) (Bragging again!Ed) Hedge Hog - KEVIN STACEY

AND SO TO OUR LAST MEETING OF 2008 TO BE HELD AT LINGFIELD PARK G.C. ON **THURSDAY 4th DECEMBER.**

Our annual Christmas meeting is to be held at Lingfield Park, a new venue for the Wayfairers, but one that the vast majority of our members know extremely well. Because of this no directions of how to get there are being published. Should you have any problems regarding the location please contact J.McD. The Club phone number is 01342 834602 or 01342 831760. Post code RH7 6PQ

The day's programme is as follows - From 09.00 Coffee & Bacon Rolls. First group to tee off at 09.30. At approx. 16.45 a two Course Christmas meal will be served with coffee and wine. It might be advisable beforehand to check out the Trolley situation as we will by then be well into winter.

The Competition is an Individual 18 hole Stableford and the winner will receive the Christmas Tankard (currently held by Robert Crompton) as well as the Wayfairers Trophy (recently awarded to Tony Roche) Another Trophy also to be contested will be Harold's Special 18th Hole Trophy (holder Peer Blakeley). Peer has won this 2 years running. Come on you other Wayfairers! Time to knock him off his perch!

The winner will be the player who is closest to the pin after 3 shots - with the ball in play on or off the green. Although the title on the Trophy refers to the 18th Hole, the perfect hole for this at Lingfield is the 17th which has a long narrow green with out of bounds to the immediate left and the River Ling to the immediate right! So the 17th it will be!

Please note that this is the Annual Bring & Win Event. Suggested value of prizes £3 up to £5 and please check any appropriate sell by dates! The cost for the day will be a very reasonable £34 with this to include Coffee & Bacon Rolls, 18 holes, a Christmas meal with wine and coffee, and all the competition prizes.

Please send your return slip with payment to Tony by **MONDAY 17th NOVEMBER** at the very latest. Following the decision made at the recent AGM please remember that NO PAY by the deadline date could result in NO PLAY! Playing guests are welcome, but please check this out with Tony after the above deadline date to ensure that there are spaces. Cost to playing guests £36 (not £34) as wine provided. If you are unavailable please advise Tony of this ASAP.

If you have a "better half" that you would like to invite to the Christmas meal there is space for this on the return slip. Cost £17 a head. Please pay this with your payment for the day.

As always our Christmas Raffle won't be a raffle! This year, as last, the competition is all about guesswork. All players will be relieved of £1 before playing - and very relieved it's only £1! They then have to give J.McD their estimate of what the combined total will be when the handicaps of the top 3 winning players are added together. (Example 1st H/cap 21 - 2nd H/cap 29 - 3rd H/cap 17. Total 67) What will your guess be? Try to work it beforehand and have your £1 ready on arrival. Should you be bringing a guest to the meal why not add to the fun and invest a £1 for them as well?

3 fabulous prizes and a very non-fabulous booby prize! In the event of a tie the scores out on the Golf Course of the members involved will decide the final placings.

Here's to a bumper Christmas turn out!

CLANDON REGIS RAFFLE & CHARITY COMPETITION

Malcolm Goman showed to very good effect his life time experience as an Insurance Broker Salesman by gently persuading those present to part with a total of £160 for the raffle. Well done Malcolm, but as everyone said "The prizes were well worth it"! (I never heard that! Ed) (You weren't there! Sec).

As planned £25 of the profit proceedings will be put aside for our Charity Fund, together with £25 already raised in September at our Hassocks Meeting.

Added to this will be another £23. Sue collected £33 in "Betting Money" as members wagered £1 each on who would be the day's winner, and £10 of this was put up as prize money. Tony Roche was the top golfer, but as no one had made a bet on him, the winner of the tanner was Peer who forecast that his guest friend Colin would "do the business" - as he did! And so money as ever goes to the rich!

No raffle at Lingfield, but you won't get away with anything as you will see from the article regarding our next meeting.

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS


At the AGM it was announced that resignations had been received from Harold Peskett, Michael Rosner & Stuart Allan and that these places had been taken from the waiting list by Malcolm Goman, Tony Roche & Stuart Saunders. As the AGM agreed that all those on the waiting list should also be invited to join, we welcome Mike & Liz Colenutt, Roger Sands & John Cunningham. We hope that you enjoy your time with the Wayfairers but remember there is one golden rule - that Tony has broken already - don't win too much!!

As we are now full with the waiting list suspended for the time being, no new members are expected during the next twelve months. Guests will still be welcome at our meetings providing there are spaces.



CHRISTMAS ROLL UP

TUESDAY 23rd DECEMBER - HOLTYE



All members and guests are most welcome to this annual event. Just turn up for 9am when playing groups will be sorted. Holtye members can sign in non-members at a reduced rate. This is an 18 hole competition for the Christmas Challenge Trophy currently held by ex-member "Hissing" Syd Tutton. Food will be available after play - buy your own - in the Bar.

£1 a head levy to cover competition prizes.



PICTURES FROM CLANDON REGIS



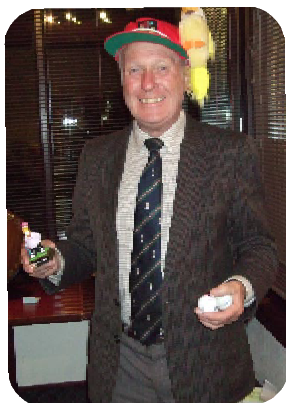
Open Longest Drive
Bill Eslor



The Triumphant Putting Team
John & Sue McD
Jan Henshaw Mike Wilson



19 & Over Longest Drive
Tony Roche



Winner of the Birdie Cap
John McDonnell



Winning Team
Bob Histed Peter Storey
Tony Roche Damon Pritchard



*Our Website Master
picks up 4th Prize*



*Kevin Stacey is so proud
(or should that be prickly!Ed)
to win his 1st Hedgehog*



New Members
*Still smiling after the painful initiation
ceremony with the golf balls!*
Tony Roche Roger Sands
Malcolm Goman John Cunningham



Guess Who?
*Winner of the Star Prize
in the Raffle*
*(We all agree a vast
improvement! Ed)*

FUTURE PROGRAMME (up until Autumn 2009)

Thursday 4th December at Lingfield Park (Christmas Meeting)

Tuesday 23rd December Annual Christmas Roll Up at Holtye

Monday 16th February "Casual Day" at Foxbridge

Tuesday 24th March at Gatton Manor (Spring Cup)

April "Casual Day" at Horne Park (Date to be Announced)

Tuesday 5th May at Holtye (Texas Scramble)

Monday 15th June at Foxbridge (Two Ronnies Trophy pm)

Monday 20th July at Hoebridge (Charity Day & President's Trophy)

August "Casual Day" at Villa Farm (Age Related Day)

Tuesday 15th September at Hassocks (Pink Ball Meeting)

Late October - Possibly return to Clandon Regis for AGM Day

HANDICAPS

FOR

LINGFIELD

ATWELL	21
BAILEY	36
BATESON	20
BLAKELEY	8
CATTERALL	20
CHURCH	20
COLENUTT L	32
COLENUTT M	30
COOPER K	17
CROMPTON	17
CUNNINGHAM	31
ESLOR	16
GIRLING	28
GOMAN	15
HARRIS	19
HENSHAW	32
HISTED	17
HITAM	22
HOGG	10
HORSFALL. B	36
HORSFALL. J	36
HOULIHAN	20
KNIGHT	9
LOVELOCK	22
MCDONNELL. J	22
MCDONNELL. S	10
PRI TCHARD	28
REEVES	26
RICHARDS	31
RIDDLES. A	23
RIDDLES. M	33
ROCHE	21
ROSE. A	28
ROSE. D	22
ROSNER. C	28
RUSHTON	16
SANDS	32
SAUNDERS	18
SHELLEY	17
STACEY	26
STANLEY	17
STOREY	8
WAGSTAFF	25
WARRILOW	34
WILKES	3
WILLIAMS	19
WILSON	36
ZINKE	12

SOCIETY CHAMPIONSHIP

The format for the Annual Championship is the total of the three best Stableford scores during the year October to September. In first place and Society Champion for 2007/2008 we have John Bateson with 101pts. Second with 95pts was Chris Wilkes and equal third Bill Eslor and Brian Girling with 94pts. The Top Lady of the year was Jan Henshaw whose best three Stableford scores came to a total of 93pts.

CLANDON REGIS

30 and over Club

33 Tony Roche & Colin Scott (Guest)

31 Roger Sands

30 Derek Reeves

*Jeff Hogg
Consolation
Prize*



CASUAL DAY AT FOXBRIDGE MONDAY 16th FEBRUARY

If interested in playing in the above the total cost for coffee, 18 holes, ham, egg & chips + a pudding and all prizes is £20 per head.

Money and names will be taken at Lingfield but if the credit crunch is hitting you at Christmas a £5 deposit will suffice!

If you wish to play but won't be at Lingfield please advise J.McD

KNOCK OUT PAIRS COMPETITION

Following discussion at the AGM it was determined that there would be sufficient demand for this competition to be resumed, and the draw together with dead line dates appears on the web site, and for those without computer facilities on the back of the notes of this year's AGM enclosed with your latest edition of the Wayfairer.

Dead line for the first round to be played is the last day of March 09, but if playing don't leave it until then! Get cracking now! Results to John B please and we can update how the competition is progressing on the web site.

IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO MAKE LINGFIELD OR THE CHRISTMAS ROLL UP,

YOUR COMMITTEE WISH YOU

A VERY HAPPY CHRISTMAS AND BIRDIES ALL THE WAY THROUGHOUT THE NEW YEAR.

The following were the main decisions made at the AGM held at Clandon Regis on 24th October 2008.

In the absence of the President our auditor Peter Rushton had kindly agreed to chair the meeting.

Secretary's Report. In his report the Secretary expressed the thanks of the membership to Derek Reeves in recognition of all his time and effort in setting up a most successful Society website, and later in the meeting these thanks were echoed by all those present. Average attendance at main meetings was reported as 36, with many of the waiting list members appearing on a regular basis. An extremely successful subsidised day at Mannings Heath had been one of the year's highlights. The Secretary was thanked for his report and all his work over the past 12 months.

Treasurer's Report. The Treasurer reported a very healthy balance sheet and following one or two very minor queries his reported was adopted and he was thanked for such excellent stewardship.

Membership. The Secretary reported 3 resignations, all for very good and varied reasons. These vacancies had been offered to the first 3 players on the waiting list who had all accepted. The following proposal was then put to the meeting from the Committee " The Waiting List should now be closed with all those currently on it being offered full membership. This would increase membership above the current 40, and should this change result in more wishing to play than could be accommodated on any particular occasion, then those who had failed to pay by the stipulated deadline would be put on a reserve list. Guests would continue to be welcome providing that there were vacancies after the members' deadline date". Following some queries and discussion the proposal was adopted unanimously.

Future Programme. The Secretary outlined the Committee's programme proposals which were all fully accepted. Some discussion regarding the format of the day in May at Holttye lead to a majority vote in favour of reducing this to 18 holes rather than the previous 27. How the day should be organised on an 18 hole basis was left to the Committee, but they were instructed it must include a Texas Scramble. A new venue for a "casual" day was announced and this was to be at the Villa G.C. in August. Lingfield G.C. was to be yet another new venue and this Club would host the Christmas meeting.

The Raffle. The financial account for this was fully approved and members were reminded that the July 09 Raffle at Hoebridge was to be a Charity Event with all the prizes to be donated by members.

K.O. Pairs Competition. Following discussion in which it was proposed that this Competition if resumed should run from November to October rather than from May to October as previously, it was agreed by sufficient members present to make the proposal acceptable. All participants were warned that in the event of any game not being played by the deadline for whatever reason whatsoever the winners would be decided by the toss of a coin.

Handicaps. This topic was discussed briefly with the Match Coordinator able to answer any queries to everyone's satisfaction.

Charity - MacMillan Nurses Cancer Relief. The Secretary reported on the various ways during the coming year that money would be raised and these suggestions received full approval.

Wayfairers Clothing. The Match Coordinator explained to the meeting how to go about ordering Wayfairers golf clothing and it was left to the members to decide whether or not to make use of this facility. Anyone with any queries regarding the system were advised to contact either Barry Richards or John Bateson for help.

A.O.B. There being no further business the meeting closed with thanks to Peter Rushton for taking the chair and with all those present wishing our President a speedy recovery from his recent hip operation.

WAYFAIRERS K.O. CUP 2008/09

DRAW & RULES BELOW.

(Current Holders Peter Rushton & Eddie Stanley)

ROUND 1 TO BE PLAYED BY THE END OF MARCH 2009	QUARTER FINALS TO BE PLAYED BY THE END OF JUNE 2009	SEMI FINALS TO BE PLAYED BY THE END OF AUGUST 2009	FINAL TO BE PLAYED BEFORE THE OCTOBER AGM
Annie Hitam & Bob Histed v Hans Zinke & Derek Reeves			
Audrey Riddles & Fred Catterall v Peter Rushton & Eddie Stanley			
Spencer Atwell & John Bateson v Malcolm Goman & Tony Roche			
Ken Cooper & Tony Warrilow v Bye	Ken Cooper & Tony Warrilow		
R. Crompton & J. Cunningham & Mike Wilson & John McDonnell			
Chris Wilkes & Doug Wagstaff v Carl Rosner & Andy Knight			
Liz & Mike Colenutt v Norman Lovelock & Alan Rose			
Sue McDonnell & Jan Henshaw v Bill Eslor & Brian Girling			

Rules.

Any handicap adjustments are to be made as the Competition proceeds. Current Wayfairers Handicaps at the time of playing will be on the website and in the latest editions of the Wayfairer. Any queries regarding handicaps please refer to John Bateson (01342 832602) johnb@wayfairers.co.uk

The competitions are to be played at a mutually agreed venue on a match play basis. Where one or more players are members of the chosen club all Green Fees are equally divided. Failure to meet any deadline will result in the Match Co-ordinator deciding the winners by the toss of a coin.

Ladies to play off ladies tees and play to ladies card and stroke index. On completion of each match the winning team are requested to notify the result promptly to John Bateson who, when he knows, will inform them who their opponents are in the next round. Also the current situation will be constantly updated on the website.

HANDICAPPING - a reminder. The lowest handicap player plays off scratch and the other players receives strokes on the basis of 3/4 of the difference between their handicaps and the lowest handicap - strokes to be taken at the appropriate stroke index holes

This draw was made on 28th October 2008 by John Bateson, John McDonnell & Sue McDonnell

WAYFAIRERS GOLFING SOCIETY

Day at Lingfield Park – Thursday 4th December 2008

Name.....

Please tick below as appropriate.

- ☐ I am available for the above - Fee £34
- ☐ I would like to bring a guest (name + h/cap) - Fee £36
- ☐ I would like to bring a Dinner guest - Fee £17
- ☐ Sorry but I am unavailable to play at Lingfield Park

A cheque for the relevant amount (excluding playing guest fee),
made out to:

“The Wayfairers Golfing Society”

should be forwarded to:

Tony Warrilow, 16 Orchard Way, Shirley, CR0 7NG

Tel: 020 8777 7346

BY MONDAY 17TH NOVEMBER

- N.B. 1) Unless advised previously, it is expected that members and their guests remain until after the competition prizes have been awarded.
- 2) Members wishing to bring playing guests will be advised if a vacancy exists after the deadline date. Payment must be received at least 7 days before the meeting.